

PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 013306-5001-02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Fanie Retief VAN HEERDEN *et al.*)
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Application No.: Unassigned)
(Divisional of Copending Application No. 09/402,962))
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Filed: Concurrently with Divisional Filing)
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Title: Pharmaceutical Compositions Having)
Appetite Suppressant Activity)
Examiner: Unassigned
Group Art Unit: Unassigned

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C.

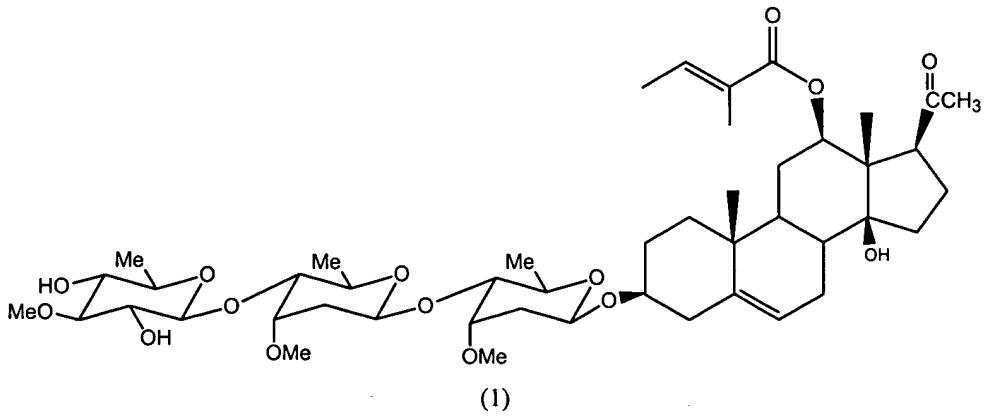
Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application on the merits, please amend
the application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE



A pharmaceutical composition which contains an extract obtainable from a plant of the genus *Trichocualon* or *Hoodia* containing an appetite suppressant agent having the formula (1).